

Hospital Quality Alliance (HQA)

Hospital Quality Measures

2004-2007

Release:	Release:	Release:	Release:	Release:
11/04	4/1/05	9/1/05	2006	2007 (est.)
"Starter Set" ¹	7 Additional Measures ²	3 Additional Measures ³	1 Additional Measure ⁴	1 Additional Measure ⁵

Acute Myocardial Infarction (AMI)

• Aspirin at arrival	✓	✓	✓	
• Aspirin prescribed at discharge	✓	✓	✓	
• ACE inhibitor (ACE-I) for left ventricular systolic dysfunction (Measure will become "ACE-I or Angiotensin Receptor Blocker (ARBs) for left ventricular systolic dysfunction"; effective for 1Q2005 discharges)	✓	✓	✓	
• Beta blocker at arrival	✓	✓	✓	
• Beta blocker prescribed at discharge	✓	✓	✓	
• Thrombolytic agent received within 30 minutes of hospital arrival		★	✓	
• Percutaneous Coronary Intervention (PCI) received within 120 minutes of hospital arrival (Measure was previously "PTCA received within 90 minutes of hospital arrival"; effective for 3Q2004 discharges)		★	✓	
• Adult smoking cessation advice/counseling		★	✓	

Heart Failure (HF)

• Left ventricular function assessment	✓	✓	✓	
• ACE inhibitor (ACE-I) for left ventricular systolic dysfunction (Measure will become "ACE-I or Angiotensin Receptor Blocker (ARBs) for left ventricular systolic dysfunction"; effective for 1Q2005 discharges)	✓	✓	✓	
• Discharge instructions		★	✓	
• Adult smoking cessation advice/counseling		★	✓	

Pneumonia (PNE)

• Initial antibiotic received within 4 hours of hospital arrival	✓	✓	✓	
• Oxygenation assessment	✓	✓	✓	
• Pneumococcal vaccination status	✓	✓	✓	
• Blood culture performed before first antibiotic received in hospital		★	✓	
• Adult smoking cessation advice/counseling		★	✓	
• Appropriate initial antibiotic selection			★	
• Influenza vaccination (Collected but not reported earlier due to vaccine shortage in 2004)				★

Surgical Infection Prevention (SIP)

• Prophylactic antibiotic received within 1 hour prior to surgical incision			★	
• Prophylactic antibiotics discontinued within 24 hours after surgery end time			★	

Hospital-CAHPS (HCAHPS)

• Patient perspectives on hospital care				★
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TOTALS	10	17	20	21	22
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Note: All measures are endorsed by the NQF and common to CMS and the JCAHO Core Measure Sets. Additional measures may be added by the HQA for public reporting during 2006 and 2007.

Footnotes

1. Original 10 measure set used by both HQA and Section 501(b) of Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 (MMA).
2. Effective for discharges on or after 2Q2004, 7 new clinical measures (★), for voluntary reporting by HQA-participating hospitals.
3. Effective for discharges on or after 3Q2004, 3 new clinical measures (★), for voluntary reporting by HQA-participating hospitals.
4. Effective for discharges on or after 3Q2005, 1 new clinical measure (★), for voluntary reporting by HQA-participating hospitals.
5. Data from HCAHPS, the patient perspectives on hospital care survey, expected to be available for public reporting in 2007

